



Aviation Investigation Preliminary Report

Location:	St Thomas, CB	Accident Number:	ERA21FA130
Date & Time:	February 15, 2021, 15:14 Local	Registration:	N13AT
Aircraft:	Bell 206	Injuries:	4 Fatal
Flight Conducted Under:	Part 91: General aviation - Aerial observation		

Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information

Aircraft Make:	Bell	Registration:	N13AT
Model/Series:	206 B	Aircraft Category:	Helicopter
Amateur Built:			
Operator:	Caribbean Buzz Management LLC.	Operating Certificate(s) Held:	Commuter air carrier (135)
Operator Designator Code:			

Meteorological Information and Flight Plan

Conditions at Accident Site:	VMC	Condition of Light:	Day
Observation Facility, Elevation:	TIST,24 ft msl	Observation Time:	14:53 Local
Distance from Accident Site:	4 Nautical Miles	Temperature/Dew Point:	29.4°C /17.2°C
Lowest Cloud Condition:	Few / 5500 ft AGL	Wind Speed/Gusts, Direction:	12 knots / , 80°
Lowest Ceiling:	None	Visibility:	8 miles
Altimeter Setting:	30.02 inches Hg	Type of Flight Plan Filed:	None
Departure Point:	St. Thomas, USVI, OF (STT)	Destination:	St. Thomas, USVI, OF (STT)

Wreckage and Impact Information

Crew Injuries:	1 Fatal	Aircraft Damage:	Destroyed
Passenger Injuries:	3 Fatal	Aircraft Fire:	On-ground
Ground Injuries:	N/A	Aircraft Explosion:	None
Total Injuries:	4 Fatal	Latitude, Longitude:	18.354444,-65.027778 (est)

Administrative Information

Investigator In Charge (IIC):	Boggs, Daniel
Additional Participating Persons:	Raphael Gonzalez; FAA; San Juan, PR Jack Johnson; Rolls Royce; Indianapolis , IN Gary P. Howe; Bell Helicopter; Hurst, TX Beverley Harvey; TSB Canada; Gatineau, Quebec , OF
Investigation Class:	Class 3
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